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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST DEBATE IN SECURITY COUNCIL: SISCO-
DINITZ MAY 23

1. DURING MEETING ON SEVERAL SUBJECTS MAY 23, SISCO SAID HE NOTED THAT FORMIN EBAN WAS IN LONDON TO DISCUSS UP-COMING SC DEBATE WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY. DINITZ SAID HE SUPPOSED EBAN WOULD RAISE MATTER ON SAME LINES HE HAD WITH AMB SCALI AND SECRETARY. SISCO SAID IT WAS OUR IMPRESSION THERE WAS NOT NECESSARILY UNANIMITY RE SC COMMITTEE IDEA. HIS IMPRESSION WAS THAT BRITISH WERE IN FOREFRONT PROMOTING SMALL COMMITTEE IDEA. WE WERE A BIT UNSURE WHETHER ISRAEL HAD PREFERENCE BETWEEN JARRING AND SYG ACTIVITY AFTER DEBATE. COULD DINITZ SHED ANY LIGHT?

2. DINITZ REPLIED THAT IF THERE WERE NO NEW MECHANISM, NO CHANGE IN MANDATE UNDER 242, NO TIPPING OF 242 BALANCE, AND IF JARRING' S EFFORTS WERE FREE OF HIS FEBRUARY 1971
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MEMO AND SUBSEQUENT GA RESES, THEN DINITZ DID NOT THINK ISRAEL HAD EXPRESSED ANY CHOICE AS BETWEEN JARRING OR SYG. DINITZ PERSONALLY THOUGHT SYG MIGHT BE LESS COMMITTED TO MOVES TAKEN IN THE PAST THAN JARRING, EVEN IF JARRING WERE TO FORMALLY DISASSOCIATE HIMSELF FROM MEMORANDA. SISCO SAID THIS WAS OUR IMPRESSION OF ISRAELI THINKING ALSO; WE HAD DETECTED ISRAELI LEANING IN THIS DIRECTION.

3. REVERTING TO BRITISH ACTIVITY, DINITZ AGREED BRITISH WERE IN FOREFRONT WITH COMMITTEE IDEA BUT THAT THEY HAD NOT DEFINITELY COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO IT. SISCO SAID IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US TO HAVE ACCOUNT OF EBAN TALK WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY. DINITZ SAID HE WOULD INFORM US AS SOON AS HE HAD REPORT. RUSH

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